



St. Petersburg Yacht Club
2024 Commodore Bruce Watters Club Sailing Championship Regatta
January 27, 2024

Notice of Race

1. Organizing Authority

The St. Petersburg Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority.

2. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2.1 The J-70 Class rule C 3.3 will be in effect.

3. Boats

3.1 Ten J/70's class boats will be provided. Each boat will be provided with a main, a jib, and spinnaker.

3.2 Boats will be allocated by a drawing, as decided by the Race Committee.

4. TEAM

4.1 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be three (3) or four (4) and must be declared at the time of entry.

4.2 Skippers, helmsperson and all other crew members must be members (or an immediate family member under the age of 21) of the St. Petersburg Yacht Club. There is no weight limit.

5. Eligibility & Entry

5.1 The current Champion is invited and an additional nine teams will be accepted.

5.2 Skippers can enter online using Yacht Scoring.

5.3 The Entry Fee which can be charged to your Club account is \$100.00.

5.4 Entry Deadline is January 20, 2024.

5.5 For an Entry to be considered complete, the skipper must complete the entry form, listing the skipper and crew names and paying the Entry Fee by the Deadline above.

6. Schedule of Events

Registration will be electronically done via Yacht Scoring at
“2024 Commodore Bruce Watters Club Sailing Championship Regatta”

Saturday, January 27, 2024

0900 Morning Briefing
1000 First Warning signal
After Racing- Tiki Bar Party and Awards

7. Sailing Instructions

7.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted online on Yacht Scoring no later than Wednesday, January 24, 2024.

8. Venue

8.1 All boats will be berthed at the St. Petersburg Sailing Center on Demen's Landing, 250 2nd Avenue SE, St. Petersburg, FL.

8.2 The racing will take place on Tampa Bay, in the vicinity of the St. Petersburg Pier.

9. Courses

9.1 Courses will be windward/leeward and there will be a diagram in the Sailing Instructions.

10. Scoring

10.1 Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A, except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.

10.2 One race will constitute a regatta.

11. Waivers and Damage Deposit

11.1 At check in, all competitors must sign an SPYC waiver, and all skippers must sign a J/70 Waiver.

11.2 Each Skipper will be required to provide a \$1000.00 damage deposit against their club account or by providing a Visa or Mastercard (no debit cards) at Check-in.

11.3 In addition to damage to the provided boats, the damage deposit(s) may be used to repair the damage to the officials' boats caused by the competitors.

12. Prizes

12.2 First Place will receive a \$600.00 Club Account Credit
Second Place will receive a \$250.00 Club Account Credit
Third Place will receive a \$150.00 Club Account Credit

12.2 In addition to the \$600, the Club Champion will be awarded a designated parking space, a plaque in the lobby, and may be asked to represent the Yacht Club at National and International Events.

13. Communication

13.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

13.2 The Official Bulletin will be Yacht Scoring. All competitors shall have a way to access Y.S. to receive all communications posted.

14. Disclaimer of Liability

14.1 Competitors participate in this regatta at their own risk. See RRS Rule 3, Decision to Race. The St. Petersburg Yacht Club, Organizing Authority, Sponsors, Race Committee, Officers and Board of Directors of SPYC, and all those involved in these organizations will not accept any Liability/Responsibility for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after this regatta.

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